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BY MARCO FUENTES

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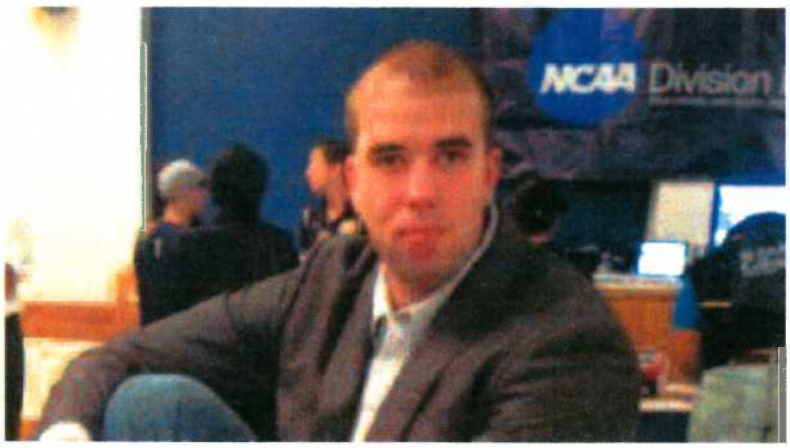

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SGA Vice-Presidential Candidate Tricia Gaya

BY JESSICA JACOLBE

It is no surprise that Tricia Gaya is one of the names appearing on this year's SGA ballot. You may have seen her as Snow White in the Chapel Players Production of "Into the Woods" or just walking around campus wearing a huge smile. She not only has a beaming personality, but she is an experienced leader, even before college. Having been the president of her high school's student government, she knows what is necessary to lead a student body. For her senior year at SJC, her goal is to become the Vice President of SGA.

Candidate Tricia Gaya

It was a surprise, however, that Tricia did not choose to run for President of SGA, having been involved for so long. She believes that by running alongside Javier Bosque, they will make a better team as close friends and not as competitors if he is elected President. She says, "Opting to run for VP over President was not an easy decision for me." With a resume that makes her overqualified to be President of SGA, she believes she is more than capable to handle the responsibilities required of a Vice President.

If you have been to an event in Tuohy Auditorium during Common Hour, Tricia has probably helped with organizing and setting up that event. She is an active participant and leader in all Student Life activities at SJC. Currently serving as the Secretary of SGA, she still manages to have time to be a Student Ambassador, Orientation Leader, Freshman Year Experience Peer Advisor, Level III Student Leader in the Student Leadership Experience Program, and Vice President of Scholarship/Social Coordinator of Alpha Gamma Delta.

As Tricia approaches her senior year, she hopes to finish her college career by leaving a mark on the grounds of SJC. When it comes to creating change at SJC, she says, "Officers can only accomplish as much as the bylaws will allow them. It is important for the student body to keep that in mind." She hopes to leave as a better leader and a confident, more-experienced student. Tricia is easy to speak and interact with, which makes it possible for her to listen to different opinions and ideas. She says, "I know that I would represent St. Joseph's College with a positive attitude, and demonstrate spirit, enthusiasm, responsibility, initiative, and leadership."

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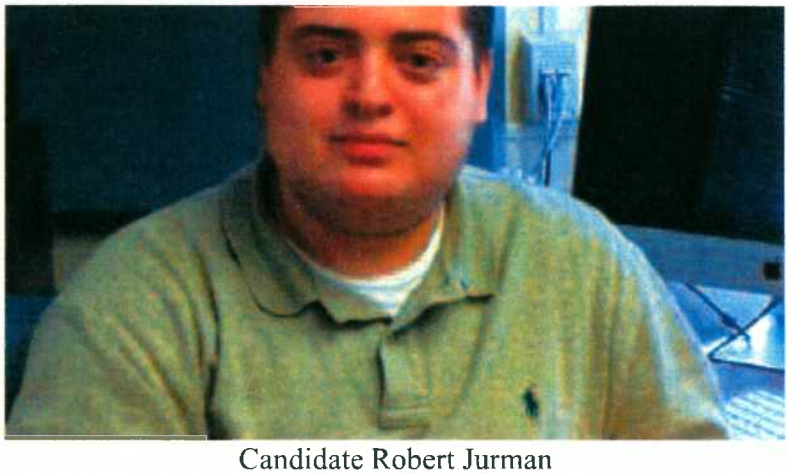
SGA Presidential Candidate: Robert Jurman

BY BRUNO MERISIER

Robert Jurman is one of the candidates running for SGA President. During an interview, he discussed his extracurricular experience outside of the SJC community and how it has aided in the development of his leadership capabilities. For instance, he mentioned that he was the president of the political club in high school and had gotten the club to become involved with the health care debate. He managed to get Xaverian High School students to voice their political opinions.



Candidate Robert Jurman

According to Jurman, the role of the SGA is unclear in the eye of the public, and most of the SJC community is unaware of the SGA itself and its function. Jurman has decided to raise awareness of establishing a new SGA constitution as he runs for office in the SGA body. Additionally, he brings up the fact that the quality and consistency of the SGA has declined. Jurman further adds that the Student Government has fallen into a cyclical habit of attending meetings and going along with anything that happens. So in order to stop this, Jurman discussed getting a new constitution in effect in order to make the SGA an "agent of change". He continues, expressing disappointment with how sometimes the SGA body makes decisions with or without the presence of a club representative. Additionally he explains that the SGA has instituted a five-star system by which to rate clubs, based on each club's individual events and portfolio.

Mr. Jurman has brought attention to the maintenance of St. Angela's Hall. It was discussed that the building was worn out even while a $14 million project for a new gym is in the making. The discussion of St. Angella's Hall repair will certainly be an issue brought up by Robert Jurman as he runs for SGA president.

Before you cast your vote in the upcoming SGA election, it is important to realize that the SGA president you vote for will be kept to his or her word before and after the election. As Mr. Jurman says, and as he promises to do, it is vital that the president will take the time to sit down with the SGA body and be persistent in solving an issue, no matter how difficult it may seem.

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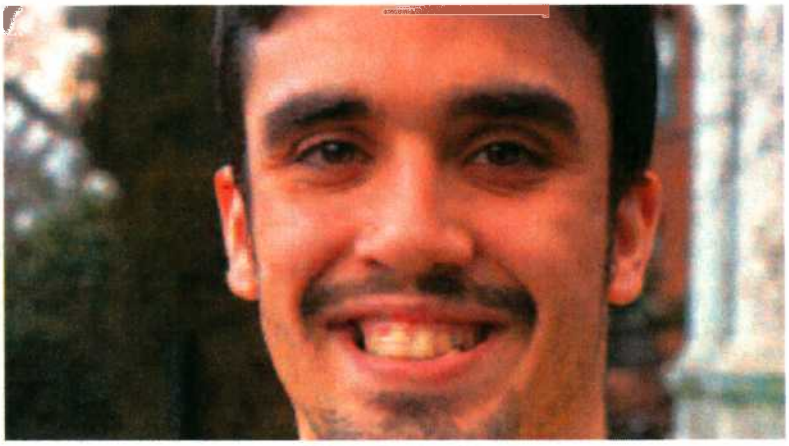
SGA Presidential Candidate: Javier Bosque

BY ROSEANGELA FRACCHIOLLA

Javier Bosque has made a name for himself at St. Joseph's college for many reasons. Some may know him as one of the faces in Chapel Players, others may see him around campus planning and hosting events for the Campus Activities Board. His involvement began his first year at St. Joe's and has progressed over the years. He first held a position in office last year as Parliamentarian for SGA. This title can be added on to the other extracurricular activities Javier has accomplished. He is involved in various sports teams, clubs and even sports the Clinton D. Bear costume every once in awhile.

This year on top of being Campus Activities Board off-campus coordinator, Javier took on yet another task at SJC, campaigning to be the 2013-2014 SGA President. But one must consider: after developing a certain persona as being the guy that's involved in a variety of activities, what is something new he can bring to the table? Javier notes that what is often seen as his most likeable qualities, self-deprecating humor and an ability to remain light-hearted, are not the only qualities he wants to be known for: "I put 110% into everything I do and I want my peers to know that I have a dedication that does not stop until the job gets done." This includes being the only candidate who is persistently working towards having a speed bump placed on Clinton Avenue. This is an effort to increase student safety.

There are many ways to define the tasks that the SGA President must tackle. Javier notes his desire to incorporate a variety of service projects that appeal to the student body, not just those that are avid visitors of the Student Life Office. He plans on doing this by using knowledge he has acquired as a student: "I have been a part of every social group, I have played sports, I am involved in theater, I plan student activities, I understand what appeals to the masses. Service projects shouldn't seem tedious to students. Why not focus on issues we all care about? For example, events to raise awareness for animal rights or recreational therapy for children."



Candidate Javier Bosque

Javier touches upon the issue of popularity in his statement about being "friends" with many different groups in the school community. Although this idea has taken on a negative connotation, Javier feels that it's a misguided stigma: "Popularity is not a bad thing if what you are known for is good." He hopes that his devotion to the school and his willingness to put his best efforts forward speak louder than the words "popularity contest." He is clear when he states that voters should elect the person that "displays what he says." By this statement Javier creates a distinction between saying you love St. Joseph's College and actually facilitating change for its students.

Javier hopes that when students visit the voting table they remember that his actions speak louder than his words. He loves the school and trusts that his peers recognize how he has and will continue to immerse himself into the St. Joseph's community.

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John Moore for SGA Vice President
Get Moore from the SGA

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1. **Use my range of experiences to help better the lives of students**
2. **Serve as a bridge between the student athletes and student government**
3. **Form a relationship with the student body to meet their needs and answer their concerns**
4. **Restore the office of the Vice President to a prominent role in the SGA**

Get the most from SGA.... Vote Moore

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Tricia Gaya

SGA Vice President

- I am running for Vice President because I know I am a good candidate for the role. My years of leadership experience and personal qualities make me well-qualified for this position.
- My High School Leadership includes: Sophomore Class President, Coordinating Secretary on the Executive Board, and School President.
- My SJC Leadership includes: SGA Parliamentarian, Academic Co-Chair of the Honors Program (2011-2012), Student Ambassador, Orientation Leader, FYE Peer Advisor, SLE Level III Leader, Executive Council Member of Alpha Gamma Delta, two years on Senate, and current SGA Secretary.
- I love speaking and interacting with others; I am accepting of new ideas and open to different opinions.
- I am sincere, approachable, open-minded, dedicated, hard-working, kind, and friendly.
- I would represent St. Joseph's College with a positive attitude, and demonstrate spirit, enthusiasm, responsibility, initiative, and leadership.

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Robert Jurman

SGA President 2013

The ONLY CHOICE: for SGA President

A New SGA;

Every year we elect the SGA officers based on popularity and year after year nothing changes and nothing happens. Voting for your friend or for who is the most popular simply does not work. It doesn't work, because when these popular people get in all they do is have SGA meetings every month and get by with an event and a formal every year. Right now, because of this, most students have no idea what the SGA is or what it does. Right now, the SGA is stagnant and it is just getting by every year doing nothing. This is not good enough. In fact this is terrible.

We cannot allow the SGA to simply get by. The SGA must become an agent of change and a true voice for every student on campus. The SGA must become an agent of change for the student body and with the Administration.

No Nonsense Plans;

We need to get serious about the SGA. My experience in the real world with real elected officials such as State Sen. Marty Golden gives me the resolve, determination and skills to properly run the SGA. This experience is unmatched by my opponents. We need to make the SGA transparent, fair and effective. Which means, we need to write a good SGA Constitution, give the clubs and students a voice in senate and meet with the administration to get things done.

We need to balance the SGA budget. I am confident that there is $10,000 being spent solely on the 30 plus people in SGA and that we can take that money and give more of it to the clubs and students at large. We need to start to implement my 2 phase plan on new I.D. Cards. Phase I can be done while I am President, it simply changes the look of the cards and adds our student I.D. numbers on them. Phase II will be done by a later SGA President after we lay down the ground work now. It puts scanners on our I.D. Cards. With scanners we will be able to put money on the cards to buy food at Evodio's, be used as improved security and be used to go green by reducing attendance sheets at events, we can simply scan attendance. We also need to start to work on a plan to renovate the broken down and outdated St. Angela Hall. We also need to get more students involved in the SGA, by making a student focus group to suggest new ideas and an Evodio's committee to improve menu items. We also need to continue fundraising for charities and create an on-campus textbook sale between students for fair prices.

I have the best plans for the SGA and for SJC. I will do battle for every student at SJC.

Javier Bosque for SGA President; A leader you can trust.

Hello my name is Javier Bosque and I am running for SGA president. I am running for president because **I truly love this school** and want to continue serving it like I have done throughout my time here. I have been **involved in St. Joseph's College** since the day I entered through the door:

Clubs:

- Chorus
- Dance Club
- Chapel Players

Sports:

- Cross Country
- Tennis
- Swimming
- Volleyball

Experience:

1st Year: Work Study

- Managed light board
- Set up for performers
- Took pictures at events
- Updated facebook page for student life

2nd Year: Parliamentarian for SGA

- Worked closely with the SGA president and learned what it takes to be president along with the many responsibilities.

3rd Year: C.A.B. Off-Campus Coordinator

- Schedule off campus trips such as Broadway shows and Sporting events.
- Help plan and set up for events in school

**Throughout these past years I have maintained the responsibilities I had as a work study student as well.*

All this experience also taught me how the office ran and what it entails to work there.

My dedication to this school shows by the effort I put into my work, clubs and teams. Apart from countless hours in this school working or thinking of different events for students to enjoy, **I also attend as many events** from other clubs as possible, along with **supporting other sports teams** at their games (on occasion even dressing up as **Clinton**!). To say that any other candidate has the same love and passion for this school is hard to believe. **I feel that someone who loves the school and truly wants to see it change for the better, will immerse themselves in the school in as many ways as possible**; this is what I have proven (all while maintaining a good average as a Biology major/Chemistry minor).

My goals as president would be to:

- ❖ Use my wide range of experience and my different perspectives of the student body to unite the school as a whole.
- ❖ Fulfill the needs of students, without making impossible promises.
- ❖ Remain as open and honest as I have shown to be the past three years, and create a friendly welcoming environment in the office for anybody who comes.
- ❖ Use my service background and my experience working for the school to continue to work for the students and be a leader they can trust and feel comfortable with.

I am currently working on getting a speed bump on Clinton Ave.

I will not make any nonsense promises that hold no truth. I will simply give you what I have been giving my clubs, teams, academics, and this school the past years: Commitment for Excellence!